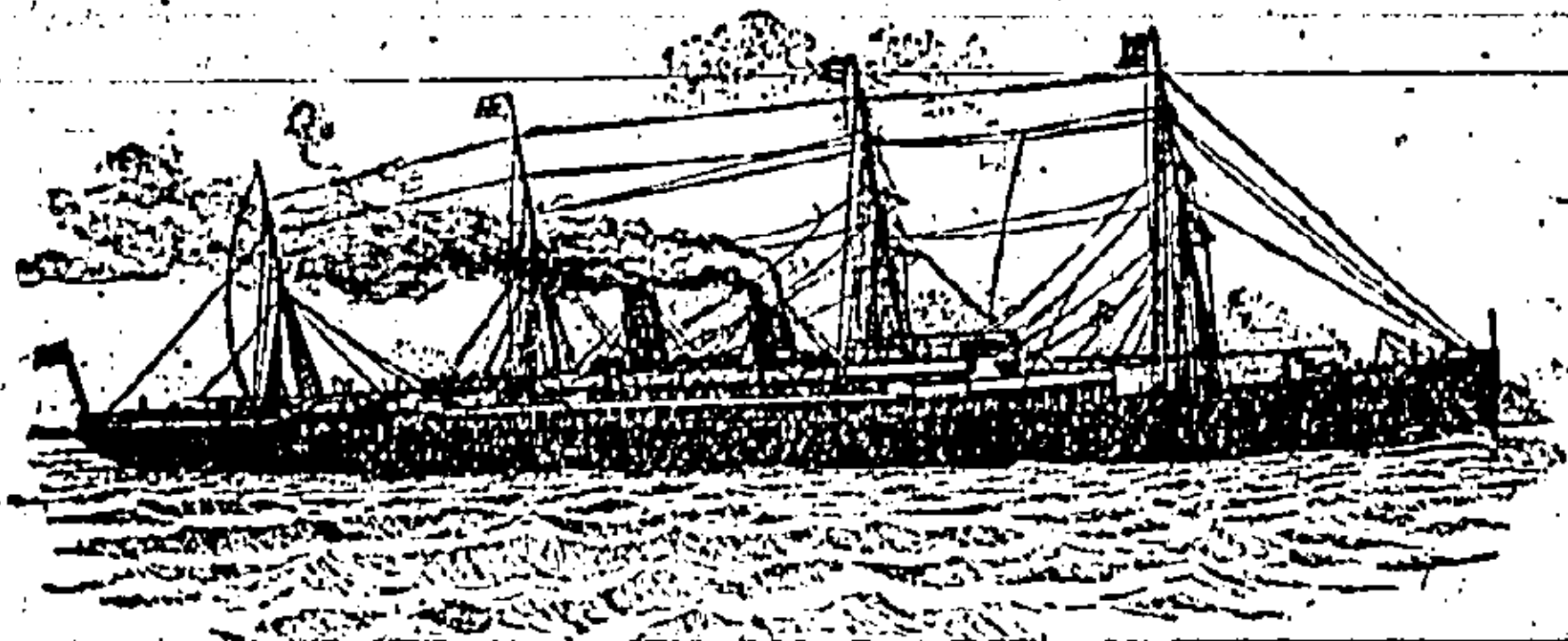


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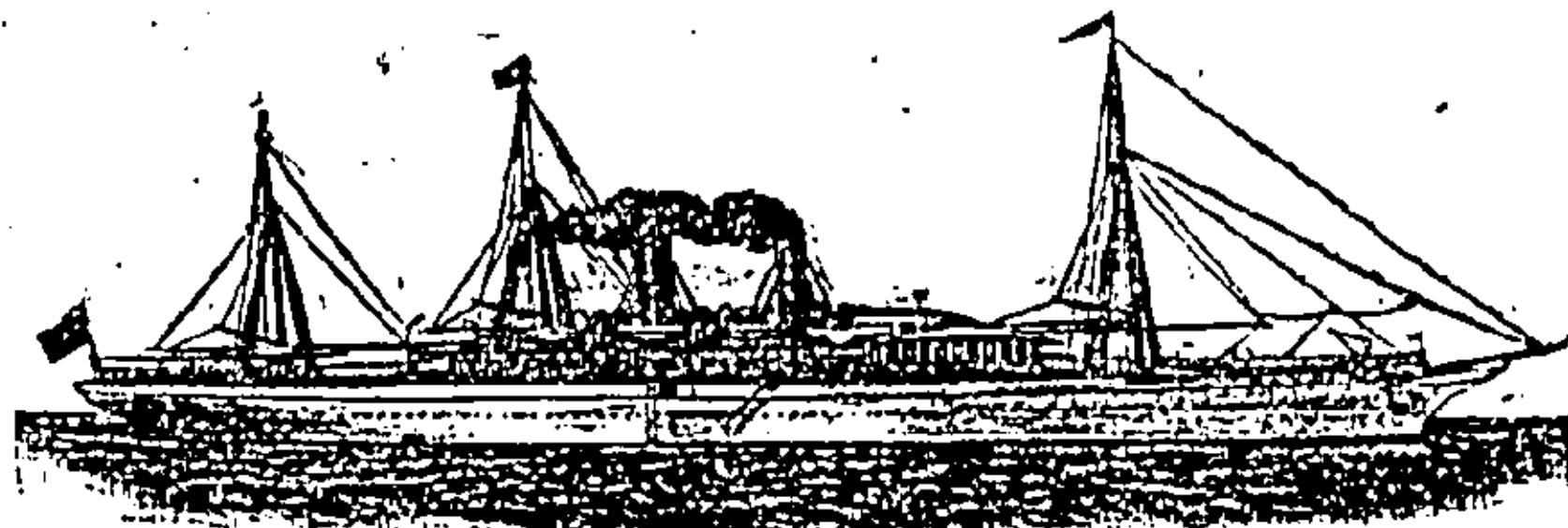
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Hongkong, 17th Sept.

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DOUGLAS, LEVRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th September, 1902. [944d]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 9th October, 1902, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statements of Accounts for the year 1901 and for the half year ending 30th June, 1902, and of declaring Dividends, &c. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 29th instant to the 9th October, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. SAUNDERS,
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Hongkong, 19th September, 1902. [980d]

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Hongkong, 13th September, 1902. [9473c]

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1902. [914d]

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PERSONAL IMPRESSIONS OF
CHINESE LIFE IN KWANGTUNG.

An observer of nature may frequently see that the finest grapes on the vine, and apples on the apple tree, grow and ripen not near the stem but at the extreme ends and topmost branches of their respective trees. So in China, says a writer in the "N. C. Daily News," the incipient changes and initial attempts at improvement are not confined to the Court and the metropolis, but even in this far-off province certain movements indicate the working of forces that must ultimately lead to great innovations and changes.

When we discuss the question of national development, we are often inclined to confine our thoughts to railways and tacitly assume that on railways alone we must depend for means of more rapid intercommunication, and that these alone are to be relied upon to become a great civilising agency. It must be remembered, however, that steam is not confined to the locomotive, but has become in many ways a mighty auxiliary to people who know how to use it, with a view to increasing the force at their disposal. In this great province railways are less important than in some others, because of its innumerable canals and tributaries, as well as its large rivers that plough the province from end to end. Therefore it has come to pass that whilst

THE CANTON-HONGKONG RAILWAY, as yet, has shown few signs of progress at this end, steam in other ways has quite changed the aspect of affairs. A few years ago the scream of the steamers was a novelty on these waters, and was regarded with little favour either by mandarin or merchant. To-day the air quivers with their shrieks, and is as full of them as was "heaven" with the "songs" of the "twice ten swans" of Virgil. Great centres for the distribution of trade have grown up in places like Kongmoon, where, three or four years ago, nothing was seen but mulberry trees. It is a sight to stand and watch the gathering steamers and steam launches in the light of early morning, when the great red sun is peeping over the trees, or when, in the darkness of the winter's evening, the red and green lights shine over the dark waters. They gather here twice a day from Hongkong, Sanui, Wuchow, Samshui, Canton, and many other less-known towns and cities, crowded with passengers, and loaded with cargo. The more impatient spirit of the West seems to animate the Chinese for the hour, and they rush and push, shout and gesticulate, so that passengers and cargo may be transferred from the one steamer to the other with the least possible delay. The loss that delay incurs, is, no doubt, the taskmaster that whips on those who are responsible, but let the cause be what it may the effect is good, and it may be seen what the phlegmatic Chinese can do when the motive force is strong enough to galvanise them into real life. We have but touched on a wide and important question, but enough has been said to show that travellers have been multiplied many times. The ignorant country rustic gets to Canton, and gazes on the foreign houses, beautiful steamers, and saucy gunboats, and sees other evidences of an attainment before undreamt of, whilst countless numbers both from the country and provincial cities

RESORT TO HONGKONG, and are amazed at the new ideal of life that confronts them there. All this is doing, much to modify the Chinese and change their

ways of thinking, and so is fitting them for the innovation of railways yet to come.

Another indication of progress is the introduction of the Customs postal system into the inland cities and towns of this great province. These are connected with the British Post Office here in Hongkong. As a civilising agency the intercommunication of ideas is not to be despised. It has been said that "Ideas must work through the brains and arms of brave and good men." They must. But the first thing to be desired is the generation and dissemination of ideas, and the rapid transit of all knowledge both theoretical and practical. The old postal system in China was no system at all. Many private letters were sent to their destination by anybody who chanced to be passing, and who were willing to take them for the reward of the few cash indicated on the back of the envelope. Sometimes these letters were delivered promptly, often they were delayed to suit the convenience of the fortuitous postman, and not infrequently they were never delivered. It must be stated, however, that

THE NATIVE IMPERIAL POST was an exception to this rule. Leaving Canton for the inland cities and the direct route north, it seldom or never went wrong, though the postmen were often delayed by wind and water. The old crude system, however, is giving place to the new. In most of the inland towns a neat little post-office has been opened, which has become responsible for the prompt and effective delivery, at stated intervals at the residences, of those to whom the letters are addressed, of all correspondence committed to its charge. The Hongkong postman will now hand in letters, some of which have come from the far-away inland towns of the province, and there appears to be no delay and no confusion. It will be a great boon to the people when this can be done all the inland towns instead of the few, as well as for all the thickly-populated villages of China. A pleasing thing about these offices is that they are under the direction of young men who have learnt some English, and who are for the most part Christians. We are well aware that widely divergent ideas are held as to the superiority of Christian over non-Christian Chinese, and it may be admitted that, among the cordial classes, Christians of the type of Thomas à Kempis and General Booth are not frequently met with; on the other hand it may be fairly assumed that young men whose minds have been freed from the cobwebs of the superstitions that darken most Chinese minds, and who have been taught by a conscientious teacher the importance of the cardinal virtues of Christian morality, and the glowing ideals of the Christian faith, may, all things being equal, prove more reliable men than those who

REGARD OPIUM AS A NECESSITY, and concubinage, legal or illegal, as a weakness. Such offices, therefore, under the care of such men will be the centre of mind development as well as of practical utility.

Whilst all who are interested in China are glad by these and other evidences of a new movement at work among the more intelligent of the people, they are also aware that those who desire to move with the times are hindered by the ignorant masses of the people, as a ship that is waterlogged is retarded by her surroundings. I had occasion lately to pass through a district of this province which was being visited both by cholera and plague. After the usual remedies were found to

be unavailing, and the daily sacrifices to the idols found to be useless, the city fathers and the priests advocated a new departure. Bamboos, perhaps 100 feet high, were erected, at distances of perhaps 100 yards apart, along the main streets of the city. At the foot of each of these poles, masses of incense sticks were kept burning both day and night. Nor was this all. Near the top of each of these bamboos was a cross bar, like the spar of a ship, on each of which was hung a lantern.

"REVERENCE THE GODS" was inscribed on each of these. When lit at night they would be visible from afar, and it was hoped and believed that the malignant demons, seeing these evidences of devotion to the spirits, would relent of their vindictive intentions and would turn aside, and spare the city. Whatever views reasonable men may entertain on the ultimate issue of the work of Christian Missions, they will surely admit that any propaganda that tends to loosen the hold that these foolish and harmful superstitions have upon the masses of the people must all tend for good, from every point of view, and therefore they will support the work.

Another indication of the persistent hold which the ancient traditions and customs of the Chinese have on the people has been brought to our notice in Hongkong during the present week, by the devotion of the masses to their popular Chung Yin Tsit. In the South the Kwangtungites call it

"THE FESTIVAL OF CLOTHES-BURNINGS."

The origin of many of these idolatrous practices is hidden in obscurity, but the grip which they have on the imaginations of the Chinese is very firm. This feat in some respects closely resembles the festival of All Souls which is recognised by the Roman Catholic Church. Everybody knows that the Chinese are greatly afraid of the spirits of the dead. The happiness of the dead depends upon the offerings of the living. If the spirits are left unprotected and neglected, they wander about unhappy, and are liable to take their revenge on those who neglect them. In orderly families the names of the departed are regularly propitiated. But some may pass into the world of shades leaving no progeny behind to attend to them. Unattended, solitary, and wretched, they are apt to curse the living with their maledictions. These theories account for the practices that accompany this festival. Piles of paper clothes and paper utensils are burned in the open street, which through the media of flames are sent forward into the spirit world, for the use of those who otherwise would be unprovided for. It is a suffocating business. The fragrance of the incense is quite swallowed up by

THE GREASY-ODOURS OF THE FEARING CANDLES, and the whole is hidden in the whirling smoke. Each shopkeeper flings liberal handfuls of cash among the streeturchins. The Chinese in Hongkong are not very enthusiastic in the observance of the rites of the religion of their fathers, but they pay great attention to this festival, and during past week the street have been aglow with mimic bonfires and the air filled with shouts of delight.

On the whole, therefore, it may be inferred from these observations that there are two strong and conflicting forces at work in the minds of the Chinese, and that for many years to come this struggle will be continued, and that it will wax sterner in its intensity. That the new will triumph ultimately no one can doubt.

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AWA MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via THURSDAY ISLAND	SATURDAY, 4th Oct., at Noon.
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, SEPT. 20, 1902.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Stowaway Question.

Another very interesting case was brought to the public notice at the Magistracy this week when the comrade of the *Loongsang* was charged on divers counts associating him with the taking of stowaways to Manila. This is an offence of which we have heard a great deal lately, and which is very severely punished by the American authorities at Manila. It would be well if in Hongkong the question was treated in a similar light, as experience of some of the recent cases goes a long way to prove that the amount of bail imposed is totally inadequate. The principals in the *Loongsang* case seem to be men of wealth, who have doubtless derived much of their savings by trafficking in stowaways, and when brought to justice are easily able to afford the comparatively small bail that is imposed. Consequently they are missing just when most required. In future it would be well if the magistrates instead of fixing bail would detain the culprits in custody until the necessary investigations have been made to enable the police to go on with their case. This is greatly to be desired not only from the point of view of the prevention of the stowaway traffic, but also from that of the ship masters and owners who frequently, through no fault of their own, are rendered liable to the very heavy penalties inflicted by the American Government, and which our authorities would do well to emulate. In the most recent case which has been dealt with in Manila the captain of the *Loongsang* was fined \$500 gold for allowing his vessel to leave there minus one Chinese member of the crew. How does this compare with the bail imposed upon Mak Chenk Ting, the comrade who was charged with (1) unlawfully aiding and abetting five Chinese to obtain a surreptitious passage from Hongkong to Manila on the 2nd inst.; (2) unlawfully conspiring with one Choy Ping and others to ship them as passengers on board the steamer *Loongsang* without the consent of the owners of master; and (3) unlawfully conspiring with the said Choy Ping and others to defraud the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., by obtaining for them surreptitious passages on the steamer *Loongsang* from Hongkong to Manila?

Trespassers will be Prosecuted.

This is not the first occasion upon which public attention has been drawn to Mr. Kemp's methods of administering the law. On Wednesday last, Mr. C. T. LITTON, or Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, brought a charge before him against two Indian soldiers in the H.K.S.B.R.A. of trespassing on the ground attached to Pagoda Bungalow, at Kowloon for the purpose of committing a felony. The complainant told the Acting Magistrate that he found the men in his garden picking fruit. The circumstances are well known to our readers; as not only have they been reported in the press, but have been a topic of comment in the Colony since the case was tried and reheard. Notwithstanding the fact that the charge was admitted *in toto* by the Indian soldiers, Mr. Kemp discharged them with a caution and practically censured the prosecutor for not having a notice in Hindustani fixed in a prominent place intimating that the grounds were private and that trespassers would be prosecuted. Is it, we ask, reasonable that any household should be required to give such a notification in order to guard his property when it is already protected by hedges? If so, every household in Kowloon will soon be considering the expediency of erecting notices on his front door to the effect that the premises are private and that trespassers will be prosecuted. Not only will the notices have to be in Hindustani, but it may be necessary for him to have others in English, German, French, Portuguese, Chinese, Arabic and, in fact in each and every language, and they are not a few, that is spoken in this cosmopolitan Colony.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A DECOMPOSED BODY has been found in Causeway Bay.

ONE FATAL CASE OF CHOLERA was notified during the past twenty-four hours, the victim being from Queen's Road West.

SANITARY MEASURES are still adopted against Hongkong at Shanghai, Manila, Singapore, Indo-China, Saigon, Lisbon and Bangkok.

THE STATEMENT OF QUARANTINE RESTRICTIONS shows that at Shanghai, and Manila medical examination is enforced with quarantine at the discretion of the health officers.

PRESENTATION MAXIM GUN.—The *Malay Mail* hears that a wealthy local resident is proposing to present a Maxim gun to the Selangor Volunteer Corps and another one to the Perak Volunteers.

COTTAM & CO. FOR SUMMER UNDERWEAR.

A BOARD OF TRADE MATES CERTIFICATE, dated 15th inst., was issued during the past week to 1799 N. K. Bennett.

FIFTEEN GAMBLERS WERE fined at the Police Court this morning. The two proprietors, \$50 or six weeks, and the others \$3 or seven days. All denied the charge and made various excuses.

FUNERAL OF A VOLUNTEER.—Members of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps attended the funeral of Corp. C. Cameron, "B" Machine Gun Company, H.K.V. corps which took place at four o'clock this afternoon.

THE ARMED ROBBERY.—In connection with the Kau U Fong armed robbery another suspected Chinaman has been identified by the woman who was robbed. The prisoner was brought before Mr. Kemp this morning and remanded.

DURING THE TEMPORARY ABSENCE OF H.E. Major General Sir W. J. Gascoigne, K.C.M.G., Colonel Louis Faulkner Brown R.E. will take a seat on the Executive and Legislative Councils as senior military officer commanding the troops.

A DISHONEST HOUSE BOY.—Mr. William Meisel, Superintendent of the Norddeutscher Lloyd charged his house boy with stealing a bottle of whisky, a bottle of vinegar, one box of coffee, three dishes and one packet of laundry blue. "Three weeks hard."

THE KOREA.—During the past day or so reports have gained currency that the Pacific Mail steamer *Korea* had met with a mishap as she was late in arriving at Yokohama. The new steamer has arrived and leaves that port for Hongkong to-morrow morning.

GOVERNOR DENOUNCED.—The *Sin Wan Pao* states that Chen Pih, Governor of Peking was denounced to the Throne by two Censor's, the Court in response appointed Koh Tao-wha and Chin Ti to form a commission of investigation. The Governor is charged on two counts.

ONE BOTTLE TOO MUCH.—A Chinese coolie employed at the Hongkong Dispensary was charged before Mr. Kemp this morning with stealing a bottle of lemonade. He pleaded guilty and said that after a day's hard work he felt so very thirsty that he took the bottle. Fourteen days.

PROCLAMATION RESCINDED.—Information having been received that Pakhoi is now free from plague, His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to rescind the Proclamation No. 5 of the 26th April last, declaring that port to be a place at which an infectious or contagious disease prevails.

HONAN EXAMINATION.—The *Sin Wan Pao* again says that the Shengtien M.A. examination is not allowed by Treaty to take place, the candidates proceeded to Honan to be examined, but the entire number was very small—only about five thousand odd men, an unprecedented small number. (News to the same effect is received from other examining centres.)

DEMAND FOR WESTERN KNOWLEDGE.—The *Universal Gazette* says that over twenty book stores for the sale of books on "Western Learning" were suddenly opened in Wuchang. The books came from Shanghai and were to be sold to the candidates for the "Chujia" examination. The sale was so brisk, that the daily receipt of each shop was over two hundred dollars.

FIXED BAYONETS NOT WANTED.—"Piaang" the writer of "Notes and Comments" in the *Pingang Gazette* states—It is rumoured that Lt.-Col. the Hon. A. Murray attempted to march the Straits Contingent through the City of London with fixed bayonets! This, I believe, is a privilege which belongs to only one regiment in the British Army. There are also other rumours.

STEAMER ASHORE.—Intelligence has been received at Singapore to the effect that the China Navigation Coy's steamer *Wuhu*, of 2,026 tons gross tonnage, has gone aground on the Carimon Islands, about 115 miles off Samarang. One of the Dock Company's tugs, the *Mercury*, has gone to her assistance. The *Wuhu* is commanded by Captain Robb and left Shanghai for Amoy and Swatow on August 14th.

ASTOR HOUSE ACCOUNTS.—The first annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Astor House Hotel Company, Limited was fixed for yesterday. The report of the directors showed that the net profit of the Astor House Hotel in Shanghai has been \$120,414.36, but that losses on account of the Grand Hotel at Hankow brings the net profit of the company down to \$111,015.10. In January there was a dividend of 15 per cent on 4,500 shares. The directors do not recommend another dividend but propose to place to depreciation account \$22,500.00 and to carry balance of \$21,015.10 forward to new account.

BUTCHERS' STRIKE IN AMOY.—A dispatch from Amoy reports a strike amongst the pork butchers of the native city of that port. It appears that the Amoy Taotai had farmed out the collection of the tax on pork to a certain syndicate, which accordingly established a tax office in the city and informed all the pork butchers of Amoy that it had been decided to impose a tax of forty Mexican dollars cents on every pig killed for food, irrespective of size or weight. This raised the ire of the butchers, whose petition for a remission being denied, they at once closed their stalls and went on strike, so that the natives of Amoy city have to go without their beloved pork at present. In the meanwhile a deputation of Amoy butchers has gone to Foochow to petition the Viceroy Hsu.

COTTAM & CO. FOR WASHING BOW TIES.

THE QUEEN OLGA, which was recently reported to be "ground on a reef" near Sourabaya, arrived alongside Tanjong Pagar wharf at Singapore the other afternoon.

PROMOTION IN THE VOLUNTEER CORPS.—H.E. the Governor has appointed Sergeant-Major Mowbray Stafford Northcote to be Supernumerary Lieutenant in the "A" Machine Gun Company.

THE NEW INDRA LINE STEAMER *Indraundi*, which was built this year at Glasgow, is expected out here on her maiden voyage, about the end of the month. She left Port Said on the 5th instant.

THE "AUROKA" BOREALIS.—Professor Birkland of Copenhagen is to visit Nova Zembla this year, with six companions, for the purpose of studying the phenomena associated with the displays of the auroka borealis in the Arctic circle.

GOVERNOR'S PRIVATE SECRETARY.—H.E. the Governor has appointed Captain John Bernard Arbuthnot, M.V.O., to be his Private Secretary, with effect from the 13th instant, as notified in the *Gazette* of the 19th inst.

GOVERNOR'S NEW A.D.C.—It is notified in the *Gazette* that H.E. the Governor has appointed Lieutenant John Bernard Arbuthnot, M.V.O., Scots Guards to be his Aide-de-Camp with the local rank of Captain with effect from the 13th instant.

UNITED STATES SILK.—Of the silks used in the United States \$26,000,000 worth are imported and \$102,000,000 worth home made. The domestic silk industry employs 24,000 men, 36,000 women and 6,000 children in 483 mills with \$81,000,000 capital.

ANOTHER IRISH CLAIM.—Belfast claims to have five of the biggest things of their kind in the world—the biggest rope-walk, biggest linen-factory, biggest whisky-store, biggest tobacco factory, and the biggest shipbuilding yard, which has turned out the biggest ship yet built.

GERMANS EXPLORING MONGOLIA.—A certain German (German) official has started with a body of 40 soldiers for Chang Chih Kou (Kalgan). The object of the mission is not yet known, but rumors have been circulating all round Peking. It is, however, believed that the Germans are exploring Mongolia.

NEW D.S.P. & A.S. FIRE BRIGADE.—H.E. the governor has been pleased, with the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to appoint Captain Frederick William Lyons, late South Staffordshire Regiment to be Deputy Superintendent of Police and Assistant Superintendent of the Fire Brigade in Hongkong, with effect from the 18th instant.

AN UNCLEAN PRACTICE.—Contrary to the practice of the Bank of England, Scotch banks reissue old notes again and again, apparently not objecting to the uncleanness of the practice. On one note some time ago 30,000 microbes were counted in the space that a sixpence would occupy, including germs of some virulent diseases. Some of our own bank notes could run this pretty close.

MR. WILLIAM CAMPBELL, the chief engineer of the China Navigation Company, who went home on leave from Shanghai in the Spring, has been distinguishing himself at golf, a game of which he was an ardent practitioner on the links of the Shanghai Golf Club. In a match played between him and two gentlemen representing Rothsay and Greenock, at Rothsay, Mr. Campbell won a stiff contest with an excellent score.

"CAT ON HOT BRICKS," writes to the *Mandelay* paper in connection with a recent dance that, "One visitor was heard to remark that there was not a single good dancer in the room, that the Mandelay dancers were like a lot of cats on hot bricks and that when he glided along the beautifully polished floor with his cousin he made people stare—I would suggest that this young man and his charming cousin start a dancing school for our poor Mandalayites." Who is this young man with such a charming cousin?

THE NEW CUSTOMS CRUISER.—The many friends in Hongkong of Mr. John McBain, lately chief engineer of the C. I. M. Customs cruiser *Lekin*, will be interested to know that he left Kobe for Shanghai on the 16th inst. in charge of the new customs cruiser the building of which he has had the superintending. This cruiser, it will be remembered, is the first vessel built by Japanese for a foreign Government and, according to Mr. McBain's accounts, better work could not have been executed in the world-famous Clyde or Belfast shipbuilding yards. The vessel is to remain in Shanghai with Mr. McBain as chief engineer.

LYNCH LAW.—Several of the Indian soldiers on duty in Peking got into rather serious trouble a few days ago, says the *N.C.D. News*. They were such frequent visitors at certain houses in one part of the city that their presence was considered a nuisance, and they were invited to stay away. They persisted in their attempts at entrance to such an extent that the neighbours and habitués of these places decided on stringent measures. So when five or six tall Hindus made their appearance the other day the people left upon them and tumbled them into the filthy moat or ditch in that vicinity. On coming out they were treated to another bath, till it looked as though they might be drowned in filth. Finally they were allowed to return. On reporting the matter to their superiors they refused to do anything towards punishing the perpetrators, as the soldiers were out without leave and richly deserved all they got.

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THE "ZAFIRO" MYSTERY.

SECRET SERVICE MEN AT WORK.

STRANGE RUMOURS.

Since it first became generally known through the medium of the *Hongkong Telegraph* last evening that the sum of \$50,000 was missing from the China and Manila steamer *Zafiro*, considerable surprise has been manifested owing to a rumour having gained currency that the loss had occurred on another of the Company's steamers which arrived in port in the early hours of yesterday morning. Notwithstanding the difficulty experienced in obtaining the smallest item of reliable news connected with the missing money, we have been enabled to place our readers in possession of many of the facts which we now find are borne out by the Manila papers to hand this morning. It should first be mentioned that the report is now current that the \$50,000 was in notes instead of gold coin, as stated both by the Manila papers and ourselves. Of course, if such is the case the loss, though considerable, will not be so serious as was at first thought. But whether the money was in coin or notes, it has mysteriously disappeared and

MANY THEORIES are being advanced as to its whereabouts and the manner in which it came to be lost. That it is the work of a thief or thieves has not been definitely decided, for although the facts seem to point out that it may be, as our Manila contemporary points out, a case of a mistake in checking the mail and packages this end. There does not appear to be much likelihood of such a happy event, or else the fact would long since have been known, and the only course open is for the police to continue with their diligent and searching investigation, which it is hoped will solve the mystery surrounding the loss of such a large sum of money.

Since last writing on the subject, it has transpired that immediately the *Diamante* arrived from Manila yesterday morning she was boarded, we learn, by no fewer than eleven European and Chinese detectives who proceeded to make a searching investigation, as it was assumed that the thief or thieves had possibly been unable to land the spoil at Manila, and might probably have re-shipped it, per *Diamante* to Hongkong. This assumption, however, seems to have proved inaccurate, and the police have evidently directed their efforts to other quarters. In connection with the loss it should be pointed out that the strong room aboard the *Zafiro* is, we believe, by the side of the compartment set aside for the mails, and as the money is stated to have been deposited there before the mails were taken on board on the day of the departure of the steamer, fairly it may be assumed that the thief or thieves found an entry to the treasure during the shipment of the mails; and that the money never left Hongkong at all. We hear, but for the truth of the statement we are not prepared to vouch, that the second mate of the *Zafiro* signed the receipt for the money and saw to its being placed in security. We are given to understand that this duty ought to have been performed by the first mate, whose fault, however, would be greatly minimised by the fact that he was present at the time. Another possible theory for the disappearance of the money is that the officer who superintended its being deposited in the treasure room failed to securely fasten the door. He may have failed to shut the door before turning the key, and the thief or thieves, prowling around for what they could find, seized an opportunity and took full advantage of it. Of course it is well known that a parcel of notes would not be too bulky to conceal under the ordinary loose Chinese jacket, and if once a person became possessed of a quantity there would be ample time for him to dispose of them even though aboard ship.

ANOTHER CONJECTURE There is still another conjecture and one that is quite as feasible as the others. As already mentioned, the treasure room of the *Zafiro* adjoins the compartment set apart for storing valuables, and it is suggested that when the money arrived in a box instead of being placed in the treasure room was deposited in the adjoining compartment, where silk was being placed. Of course, if such is the case a shrewd thief would soon take advantage of it and make off for the shore before the ship left port.

One of the latest arrivals from Manila is of opinion that many of the present conjectures as to how the treasure could have been taken away are simply the workings of imaginative minds. From one source we learn that on the vessel arriving at Manila the box was found in the treasure room with seals intact, and it was only when the representative of the consignee asked for the box to be opened that the treasure was found to be missing. We have not, however, spoken to the originator of this and it certainly does not agree with the other stories. Though many seem to think that the money never left Hongkong, a rumour is about that both the Chief and Second Officers saw it locked up. This, indeed, really seems a most likely thing, and it is not difficult to imagine the robbery taking place at sea, for though the Chief Officer would guard the key of the strong room, many changes have taken place in the native crew and it is not unreasonable to imagine that at some previous date a smart rogue obtained an opportunity, unknown to anyone, of getting an impression of the strong room key. So much for conjectures.

A MANILA REPORT The following item relating to the disappearance of the money is taken from the *Manila Cablenews* of Wednesday last:

Fifty thousand dollars in gold coin is missing from the cargo of the steamer *Zafiro*.

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It was a part of a shipment of funds from Hongkong to a Chinese banker in this city.

The sealed package containing the funds has mysteriously disappeared.

The valuable bundle of money was taken aboard at Hongkong and placed in the strong-room of the vessel together with the mail and other important matters to be kept under lock and key.

The *Zafiro*, carrying no purse, this strong-room came under the jurisdiction of the Chief Officer of the boat. The loss was overlooked at Hongkong.

If lost in transit, the matter is one for serious investigation, but the agents for the *Zafiro*, Warner, Barnes & Co. are of the opinion that a mistake has occurred in the checking at the other end of the line, and that the missing money never was placed aboard at Hongkong. At the same time, they have lost no time in placing secret service men on the case, and further developments are awaited.

A representative of *The Cablenews* interviewed a gentleman connected with the consignees of the steamer, and he confirmed the current rumour that the money was short; he did not desire to make any further statement than that the matter would be most thoroughly sifted.

He stated that it was not a matter of suspicion, and that he really believed the missing money never was loaded aboard the *Zafiro* at Hongkong, but that in the checking of the mail and packages a mistake probably occurred, and that the funds were immediately returned to the consignee when the error was discovered. Information on the point has been called for.

Captain Fraser, formerly chief officer of the vessel, was seen, but denied having any knowledge of the matter. Captain Fraser stated he had been ashore all day, and if anything of such importance had occurred he would have been sent for immediately. It was afterwards stated by an employee of Warner, Barnes & Co., at the Tiffin Club, that such a loss really took place, and that Mr. Brown of the firm, was at the time in the bay investigating the matter.

A BUSY TIME AT THE DOCKS.

ABUNDANCE OF WORK.

In spite of the announcement respecting the slackness of work at the docks, we learn that both yesterday and to-day have been very busy days indeed. In fact, at the present time there is an all-round abundance of work. As soon as one craft is finished another takes her berth either to be scraped and painted or repaired. Take yesterday for instance, the Dock people were very busy getting the steamships *Empress of Japan*, *Siam* and *Loongsang* out of dock, while the ships alongside the Kowloon Dock were the *Luzon*, *Hoi-hao*, *Benlarig*, *Pleguizuelo*, and *H.M.S. Wivern*. There were also three ships on the slips at Kowloon Dock, viz., *Contest*, *Progress*, and *Solent*. The U.S.S. *McLellan* was alongside the Cosmopolitan Dock, and the *Stanfield* was in the Aberdeen Dock.

To-day work at the docks is also very brisk. In the Kowloon Dock, No. 1, is the *America Maru*, in No. 2, the U.S.S. *Iris*, in No. 3, the *Tai On*, on No. 1 slip the *Doll* and No. 2 slip the *Contest*. The *Kum Sang* is in the Cosmopolitan, and in the Aberdeen Dock is the fumigating ship *Stanfield*. There are also several craft, including the *Loongsang*, alongside the docks undergoing repair.

EXCUSES AT POLICE COURTS.

Those whose duty calls them to the Police Court hear many amusing excuses offered by defendants in the dock. The following, taken from a home journal, requires plenty of beating. Referring to the excuse offered by the Windsor poacher who was found with his pockets stuffed with the King's rabbits, which he said ran into them while he was asleep, a correspondent recalls one or two other defences of an ingenious nature. The rabbit excuse, he points out, is run close for ingenuity by the defence of a man charged with stealing a leg of mutton at Kilburn a few weeks ago. In this case the accused had fallen against the shop window and broken it, and the leg of mutton fell off the hook on top of him; he then "accidentally" carried it away. Again, a labourer arrested for taking a fur necklet from a shop in Remers-street explained, that the wind blew it on to his arm as he was passing, and being absent-minded he had forgotten to take it back. These, however, were too much for the credulity of our judicial and magisterial authorities.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

Australian (*Airline*) 22nd inst.
French (*Safaris*) 22nd inst.
Canadian (*Athenian*) 23rd inst.
Indian (*Catherine Apsara*) 23rd inst.
American (*Korea*) 28th inst.
Australian (*Taiyuan*) 28th inst.
Tacoma (*Victoria*) 30th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 30th inst.
American (*Gaulle*) 1st prox.
American (*Hongkong Maru*) 9th prox.
Tacoma (*Olympia*) 14th prox.

The A.L.S.N. Co's steamer *Tiroi* left Shanghai for this port to-day the 20th inst.
The E. & A. steamer *Airline* from Sydney, etc. left Manila yesterday, the 19th inst., for this port.

The D. & Co's steamer *Border Knight* from New York and Strails arrived at Manila on the 18th inst., and is expected to sail for Hongkong about the 28th inst.

The P. & S. S. Co's steamer *Korea* with mails &c. from San Francisco to the 30th ult. via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama and leaves for this port via Island Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the morning of the 21st inst.

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TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Successful English Aeronaut.

SALES OVER LONDON.

London, 19th Sept. 6.30 p.m.
Mr. Spencer, the famous English aeronaut, has at length succeeded in navigating an airship. He has sailed from the Crystal Palace at Sydenham, passed across Dulwich and Southwark, soared over St. Paul's Cathedral and steered away across the City and West End to Ears Court.

(Reuter's.)

To Protect Transisthmian Traffic.

LONDON, September 18th.

Owing to civil warfare threatening interference with the Transisthmian traffic, fifty American marines with a quick-firer in an armoured truck are accompanying trains between Colon and Panama.

Sandhurst.

Henceforth cadets at Sandhurst will be restricted to beer at mess; wine will not be allowed.

LATER.

The Boer Generals in Europe.

The Boer Generals appear to have abandoned their European tour, largely owing to plain hints from Germany and other Powers that they will not allow Anti-British demonstrations.

The Peary Expedition.

Lieutenant Peary with the Windward Expedition has arrived at Sydney, Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. The expedition did not reach the North Pole, but very important scientific discoveries were made.

(N. C. Daily News.)

Boxers in the Capital of Szechuan.

CHENG TU, 15th September.

Armed Boxers entered the city to-day. Some have been killed and captured in the streets. The shops are closed and the military are patrolling the city. The situation is serious.

(Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

German Soldiers and Chinese Graves.

TIENTSIN, 14th September.

We received with to-day's mail the Shanghai paper of the 6th inst., among them the *Shanghai Times*, containing a report, taken from Chinese papers that Chinese soldiers captured the arms and horses of some German soldiers, who were disturbing the graves of Prince Su's ancestors, notwithstanding a complaint was lodged with the German Minister of similar offences before, and that fifteen of the German soldiers were captured by the Chinese and severely beaten, before they were released. Of course, there is not a single word of truth in this report; but it is considered here very strange that an English-American newspaper could give publicity to such a report, which, they must say themselves, could not be correct. As far as the German Legation and the German soldiers were concerned, the report is a pure invention. There have taken place some disturbances by the Chinese marauders of a German civilian, who is besides in no way connected either with the German Legation or with any members of the German Brigade.

HEAVY PENALTY FOR A DESERTER.

For deserting from the British s.s. *Ness* and going ashore without permission W. D. Jones, an able seaman has for forfeit two days pay and contribute two days pay for every 24 hours of absence from the 1st to the 19th inst. inclusive. It appears that the ship was moored in Wanchai Bay, and finished loading cargo on the 31st ult. That day the defendant went ashore without permission, got "run in," and when released found that he had lost his passage; the ship having left for Moji. Being a Royal Naval Reserve man he went on board of H.M.S. *Tamar* to perform drill and up on the *Ness* returning to Hongkong went to his ship with a letter from the gunner of the *Tamar*, asking Captain Peary for the defendants "Reserve" book. The captain ordered him to remain aboard, but he said he had to return to the *Tamar*. The skipper, however, went to see the Commodore, who thought differently, and the charge resulted.

KOWLOON PUGILISTS.

NOT THE RIGHT SORT.

Yesterday afternoon a quarrel occurred in the engine shop at the Kowloon Docks between a Filipino master-fitter and a Chinese foreman. It appears that the Chinese foreman went up to the Filipino and asked him about a job in hand. The Chinaman, a few minutes afterwards commenced using insulting language to the master fitter with the result that he was challenged to fight. The Chinaman seemed agreeable to the proposition and the first round was about to commence when the Filipino took a knife out of his pocket, and was proceeding to make use of it when another Chinaman separated the two pugilists.

GOTTAM & CO. FOR GENTS' BATHING GEAR.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

In the Share Report dated the 19th September, 1902, Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state that during the week, business has been still very restricted, and there is no sign of improvement at present. The only noticeable feature has been a boom in Union Insurance and Shanghai-Langkai shares.

The Shanghai-Langkai Tobacco Company, Limited, has declared a Third Interim Dividend of Five Taels per share payable on the 25th instant.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled firm throughout the past week, and a small parcel of shares has been negotiated at \$597½. There is no change in the London quotation which remains at £63½. Nationals are still offering at \$27.

Marine Insurances.—The announcement that the Union Insurance Society is going to pay a dividend of \$30 per share for account of 1901 has caused the stock to jump to \$4½. China Traders can be had at \$58½. Cuntos have been done at \$175, and more shares are wanted. Yangtzes are in the market at \$127½. North-Chinas are quoted at Tls. 187½, at which rate a few shares can probably be obtained.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Firms have found buyers at the improved rate of \$337½. China Firms have been booked at \$81½, and more shares can be placed.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats are obtainable at \$36½. Indo-Chinas have declined to \$79, at which price sellers prevail. Douglas Steamships are to be had at \$42½. China and Manilas after sales at \$21½ are now offering at the rate. Star Ferries, old issue, are procurable at \$30; there are sellers of the new shares at \$107½. Shell Transports are quiet at £1. 17 6.

Refineries.—China Sugars have slightly hardened and are enquired for at \$98. Luzons are still quoted at \$10 buyers.

Mining.—Punjabis have sellers at \$5. Raubs have changed hands at \$5, and more shares are asked for. Jebebus are unchanged, and can be placed \$14. Chinese Engineering have further risen to Tls. 9.40, but are obtainable at this price.

Docks, Wharfs and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have further declined and have been sold at \$210 and \$205, closing with further sellers at the lower figure. Parnhams have strengthened their position and are now in demand at Tls. 180. Kowloon Wharfs have been bought, and have further enquiries at \$84½. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharfs have dropped to \$300, ex the interim dividend of Tls. 6 paid in Shanghai on the 1st instant, but shares are in request at this rate. New Amoy Docks are unaltered.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—There is no business reported in Hongkong Lands, which remain quiet with sellers at \$172. Kowloon Lands and West Points are on offer at \$30 and \$47½ respectively. A Shanghai Lands keep steady at Tls. 116. A small line of Hongkong Hotels has been done at \$130. Astor House Hotels have fallen to \$35, and are offering at the rate. The report and statement of accounts to 30th June last have been published, and is to be submitted to the shareholders at the First Annual Ordinary Meeting convened to take place in Shanghai to-day. The net profit of the Hotel in Shanghai is \$10,414.36, but the working account of its establishment in Hankow shows a loss of \$5,399.26, which reduces the net profit of the Company to \$111,015.10. After deducting \$57,500, paid as interim dividend in January last, the balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account is \$135,515.10, from which it is recommended to transfer \$22,500.00 to Depreciation Account, and carry forward for credit of next year's account \$21,015.10. Humphreys Estate, have been extensively dealt in at rates ranging between \$11 and \$11½, at which latter figure, there are further sellers. China Providents have changed ownership at \$10 and \$9½.

Cotton Mills.—No change to report in the Northern Mills. The Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited, held its Fifth Ordinary Meeting on the 15th instant, and the following statement of accounts covering the period from 15th July, 1901, to 31st July, 1902, were adopted. The net profit on working amounted to \$163,465.05, and after allowing for the interim dividend of 4 per cent, absorbing \$50,000, paid on the 17th April last, there remained a balance of \$113,465.05, which was disposed of by the payment of a final dividend of 6 per cent (60 cents per share), writing off Property Account \$30,000, and carrying forward the balance of \$8,465.05. Shares are wanted at \$16½ ex dividend.

Cigar Companies.—Sales of Sumatras at Tls. 45 are reported from Shanghai.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements are obtainable at \$19½. A few China Borneos have been sold at \$20. A. S. Watsons are offering at \$144. Electrics are neglected, and shares in the market at \$13 and \$64 for the old and new respectively. Ropes are on offer at \$130. Universals are to be had at \$19½. The net profit for the year ending 31st June, 1902, was \$33,847.75, and after deducting the interim dividend of 6 per cent, paid in January last, a balance remained of \$11,085.25, which was carried forward to credit of new account. Langkats have recovered a good deal of their lost ground, and are quoted in Shanghai to-day at Tls. 242½.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Acting Director of the Hongkong Observatory.

On the 20th at 10.55 a.m. The barometer has fallen slightly over S. China and the Loophos, risen in E. Japan.

Pressure remains high over N. China, and low over the Pacific to the NE. of Luzon and S. of the Loophos. Fresh NE. winds in the Formosa Channel.

Forecast.—light or moderate NE. winds; fair.

THE NAVY.

The American transport *McLellan* came out of the Cosmopolitan Dock yesterday and proceeded to Manila at noon to-day. She takes along with her a magnificent suite of blackwood furniture made in Hongkong for the Civil Governor's Palace.

THE ARMY.

R. W. F. TO BE STATIONED AT CHAKRATA. The transport *Wakel* with the 1st Derbyshire, is expected to arrive at Hongkong on the 6th prox., at Taku on the 14th prox., and at Hongkong on the return passage, on the 21st prox. When she returns here the Royal Welch Fusiliers will embark and proceed to Chakrata, Bengal, where they are to be stationed.

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

The following Corps orders by Major C. G. Pritchard, R.G.A., Commandant, were circulated to-day:—

No. 2 Garrison Artillery Company. 6" B. L. Gun Drill.—At Upper and Lower Belchers, at 5.30 p.m., on Tuesday, 23rd September, 1902. (All Ranks). Sergeants, Whitehouse, and Bartolome, R.G.A., to attend. Promotions: No. 321, Corporal R. C. Edwards to be Sergeant, in the Right Half No. 2, Garrison Artillery Company, H.K.V.C. to complete establishment.

No. 342, Bombardier H. C. Wilcox to be corporal vice Edwards promoted.

No. 628, Gunner C. H. P. Hay to be bombardier vice Wilcox promoted.

No. 539, Gunner J. Hayes to be Bombardier dated 18th September, 1902.

Resigned.—No. 540, Gunner I. O. Hughes, has been permitted to resign, dated 17th September, 1902.

No. 139, Gunner J. Hooper, has been permitted to resign, dated 17th September, 1902.

No. 1 Garrison Artillery Company. 6" B. L. Gun Drill.—At Upper and Lower Belchers, at 5.30 p.m., on Tuesday, 23rd September, 1902. (All Ranks).

No. 1 and 2 Garrison Artillery Company. 9.2" B. L. Gun Drill.—At Kowloon East, on Friday, 26th September, 1902, under Sergt. Bartolome, R.G.A. For all members of the Corps residing at Kowloon.

Taikoo Detachment 6" B. L. Drill.—At Lyemun, at 5.30 p.m., on Friday, 26th September, 1902, a launch will be provided to convey members from Taikoo to, and from Lyemun. Sergt. Wood, R.G.A. will attend. Launches. It is notified for general information that arrangements have been made for launches to run from Blake Pier, at 5 p.m., on the evenings that Gun Drill is ordered at Belchers returning from there at 6.30 p.m.

The above launch will leave Blake Pier at 5.5 p.m., at latest, punctuality therefore is requested.

THE DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the Shareholders at the nineteenth ordinary general meeting, to be held at the offices of the Company, on Saturday, the 27th day of September, 1902, at noon:—

The General Managers have now to submit to the Shareholders, their report on the nineteenth year's working of the Company ended 30th June, 1902.

After paying all running Expenses premia of insurance, remuneration to the consulting Committee and Auditors' Fees, there remains a Net Profit of \$102,936.06, and with the consent of the shareholders, it is proposed to appropriate this amount as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 6% on the capital of the Company, which will absorb \$60,000.00 and to write off \$42,936.06 from the book value of the Company's property on the 30th June last.

In view of the low rates of freight ruling on the coast generally, and keen competition, combined with the continued high price of coal, the general managers and consulting committee trust that the result will be considered satisfactory.

The steamers of the Company have been maintained in the usual state of thorough efficiency.

The amount appearing as freights due and Accounts receivable on 30th June have since been collected.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

Since the last General Meeting, the Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving has resigned his seat, the Hon. C. W. Dickson being invited to fill the vacancy on the board. The Committee now consists of the Hon. R. Shewan, the Hon. C. S. Sharp, the Hon. C. W. Dickson and Mr. C. H. Thompson, who all retire in terms of the articles of association, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts for the six months ended 31st December, 1901, were audited by Messrs. W. H. Gaskell and W. H. Potts and for the final six months ended 30th June, 1902, by Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. R. Lowe. Mr. W. H. Gaskell having left for England. Messrs. Potts and Lowe now retire, but are recommended for re-election.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LD.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the twenty-ninth ordinary meeting, to be held at the Society's Offices, at noon, on Thursday, the 9th October:—

The directors have now to submit to the shareholders a report of the business of the Society for the year 1901, and for the six months ending the 30th June, 1902.

1901.—The net premium collected for the year, after deducting returns and reinsurance, amounts to \$3,458,543.50. After providing for a bonus of 20 per cent on contributions paid in May last, there remains at credit of working account a balance of \$816,293.95 as per annexed statement.

From this sum the directors recommend the payment of a dividend of \$30 per share, equivalent to 60 per cent on the paid-up capital of \$50 per share, and an addition to the reserve fund of \$100,000 raising the reserve to \$1,600,000. The balance remaining of \$416,293.95 they propose to carry forward to underwriting suspense account to close the account for the year 1901.

1902.—The balance to the credit of this year's account amounted on the 30th June, 1902, to \$1,672,433.78 as per annexed statement.

DIRECTORS.

Since the last general meeting Mr. R. L. Richardson and Mr. H. W. Slade have resigned their seats on leaving the Colony and the Hon. R. Shewan and Mr. G. Balloch have joined the Board.

In accordance with clause 86 of the Articles of Association, Mr. A. Siebs and the Hon. R. Shewan retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

Messrs. J. H. Cox and W. Hutton Potts retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.

The directors take this opportunity of informing the shareholders that it is intended to increase the paid-up capital of the Society. This capital was raised in 1895 from \$250,000 to \$500,000 by the transfer of \$250,000 from exchange fluctuation account. Since that date the Society's business in sterling countries has very largely increased, while on the other hand, owing to the fall in the exchange value of dollar, the sterling equivalent of the paid-up capital has considerably diminished. There is once more a large accretion in exchange fluctuation account, and the directors propose to repeat the operation of 1895 and again double the paid-up capital. They propose, therefore, to make a call of \$50 a share payable on the 31st December, 1902, and to declare out of the exchange fluctuation account an interim dividend of the same amount per share payable on the same date and to deduct the call from the dividend. This will increase the paid-up capital to \$1,000,000 and reduce the unallocated liability on the shares from \$200 to \$150 per share. After the ordinary business of the meeting is finished the shareholders will be asked to signify their approval of this step.

C. S. SHARP, Chairman.

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

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No. 2 Garrison Artillery Company. 6" B. L. Gun Drill.—At Upper and Lower Belchers, at 5.30 p.m., on Tuesday, 23rd September, 1902. (All Ranks). Sergeants, Whitehouse, and Bartolome, R.G.A., to attend. Promotions: No. 321, Corporal R. C. Edwards to be Sergeant, in the Right Half No. 2, Garrison Artillery Company, H.K.V.C. to complete establishment.

No. 342, Bombardier H. C. Wilcox to be corporal vice Edwards promoted.

No. 628, Gunner C. H. P. Hay to be bombardier vice Wilcox promoted.

No. 539, Gunner J. Hayes to be Bombardier dated 18th September, 1902.

Resigned.—No. 540, Gunner I. O. Hughes, has been permitted to resign, dated 17th September, 1902.

No. 139, Gunner J. Hooper, has been permitted to resign, dated 17th September, 1902.

THE ARMY.

R. W. F. TO BE STATIONED AT CHAKRATA. The transport *Wakel* with the 1st Derbyshire, is expected to arrive at Hongkong on the 6th prox., at Taku on the 14th prox., and at Hongkong on the return passage, on the 21st prox. When she returns here the Royal Welch Fusiliers will embark and proceed to Chakrata, Bengal, where they are to be stationed.

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Commercial.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

There is scarcely anything to report in the Share Market, except that BANKS & CHINA Sugars are firmer. INDO CHINAS are wanted at \$78. Small Sales have been made in CHINA & MANILAS at \$22.50, but since the rumour of a robbery of treasure in one of their steamers, the shares dropped to \$17.50. HONGKONG HOTELS are wanted at \$19. CHINA BORNEOS are in demand at \$19. RAUBS are still in demand at \$5, and KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN Co. at \$85 to \$85.50, buyers.

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 20th September.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

Per chest.

NEW PATNA @ \$895

OLD @ 915/917½

NEW BENARES @ 885

NEW MALWA @ 937

" TWO YEARS @ 980

" THREE YEARS @ 990

PERSIAN SUPERIOR @ 637

" MIDDLING AND IN- @ 325/500

FERIOR @ 325/500

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO. LIMITED.

OUTWARDS.		
FROM	STEAMERS.	DUE.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACILLES"	25th September, 1902.
" "	"AGAMEMNON"	1st October, " "
" "	"DEIOTAS"	15th " "
" "	"PAEROLUS"	24th " "
" "	"STANTON"	30th " "
INWARDS.		
FROM	STEAMERS.	DUE.
"DIOMEDES"	" "	30th Sept., 1902.
"NESTOR"	" "	14th Oct., " "
"ACHILLES"	" "	28th " "
"MENELAUS"	" "	11th Nov., " "
"AGAMEMNON"	" "	25th " "

FOR FREIGHT, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

STEAMERS.		
FROM	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
SHANGHAI and CHU-KIANG	"WHAMPOA"	22nd instant.
MANILA	"SUNGLANG"	22nd instant.
SHANGHAI	"HANYANG"	25th instant.
LOILOILO and CEBU	"KAIYONG"	26th instant.
AMOI, SAMARANG, and SOERABAYA	"MANCHANG"	27th instant.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, and TOWNSVILLE	"CHINGTU"	29th instant.
VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"HUPEH"	30th instant.
TIENSIN	"TAIYUAN"	4th October.
Kobe	" "	" "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS.	DUE.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	2nd October, 1902.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FROM	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS	"HYSON"	2nd October.
NAGASAKI, Kobe, and YOKOHAMA	" "	" "

For Freight, apply to

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Agents for and in connection with
THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY,
Operating the New First-class Steamships
"INDRAVELLI," "INDRAPURA,"
and
"INDRASAMHA,"
between
HONGKONG AND PORTLAND (OR.),
Calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE,
and YOKOHAMA.

Ship	Tons	Oct. 24	Nov. 14	Dec. 14
"INDRAVELLI"	4,800	"	"	"
"INDRAPURA"	4,800	"	"	"
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	"	"	"

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports.

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ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJI MARU"	T. Kitano	SUNDAY, 21st September.
FOR FOCHOOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	WEDNESDAY, 24th September.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJI MARU"	T. Orata	SUNDAY, 28th September.
FOR ANPING	"MAIZURU MARU"	T. Saito	WEDNESDAY, 1st October.

* Via SWATOW and AMOI.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried. All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mails, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's. Steamers will go alongside the Co's Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo. By the Co's steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA's steamers from Shanghai. For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co's Local Branch Office, at No. 2, Des Vaux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1902.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG TO SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

USUAL AUSTRALIAN PORTS OF CALL.

AVERAGE LENGTH OF VOYAGE TO SYDNEY 20 DAYS.

Saloon Passengers carried at SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES, particulars of which can be obtained on application to the Undersigned.

NEXT SAILINGS.

"CHINGTU"	leaves on 29th Sept.
"TAIYUAN"	24th Oct.
"CHANGSHA"	15th Nov.
"CHANGSHA"	8th Dec.

Superior accommodation amidships. Electric Light throughout. Fitted with Refrigerators which ensure a fresh supply of ice and provisions during the entire voyage. Duly qualified European Surgeons carried. **BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,** Agents, O. N. Co., Ltd.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN," Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above Ports, on THURSDAY, the 2nd October, at Noon. This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light. A Starboard and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried. For Freight or Passage, apply to **GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,** Agents, Hongkong, 5th September, 1902.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"AFRIDI"	About 20th Sept.
"HILLGLEN"	27th Sept.
"RICHMOND CASTLE"	11th Oct.
"LOTHIAN"	To follow.
"LOWTHER CASTLE"	" "

For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents, Hongkong, 3rd September, 1902.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SEGOVIA," Captain Föck, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to **HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,** Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 20th September, 1902.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SALAZIE," Captain Aubert, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 22nd instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to **G. DE CHAMPEAUX,** Agent. Hongkong, 15th September, 1902.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG," Captain Buller, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, at 3 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,** General Managers. Hongkong, 17th September, 1902.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"DIAMANTE," Captain R. Rodger, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, at 4 P.M. The attention of Passengers is directed to the excellent accommodation provided by this Steamer. She is fitted throughout with the Electric Light. A Doctor is carried. For Freight or Passage, apply to **SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,** General Managers. Hongkong, 19th September, 1902.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK; VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

Proposed Sailings from Hongkong. "HUDSON," About 5th October. For Freight and other information, apply to **STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK,** Oriental Shipping Department, Agents. Hongkong, 11th September, 1902.

STEAM FOR ODESSA.

THE New Russian Steamer. "KNIAS GORTSCHAKOW," 3287 Tons Gross Register, will be despatched for ODESSA, via Ports of Call on or about 15th October. For Freight and further particulars, apply to **BRADLEY & Co.,** Agents. Hongkong, 13th September, 1902.

Consignees.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"AMERICA MARU," are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading. Goods remaining unclaimed after the 25th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 18th September, 1902.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SEGOVIA," Captain Föck, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th instant will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. **HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,** Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 19th September, 1902.

Consignees.



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"TRIESTE," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be discharged here, unless notice to the contrary be given immediately. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 21st instant, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 21st instant will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **SANDER, WIELER & Co.,** Agents. Princes Buildings. Hongkong, 15th September, 1902.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBROUGH AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE," Captain E. J. Siddell, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 19th instant will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th instant, at 2.30 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,** Agents. Hongkong, 15th September, 1902.



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"NIPPON," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 27th instant, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 27th instant will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **SANDER, WIELER & Co.,** Agents. Hongkong, 17th September, 1902.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamship

"SOCOTRA," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 P.M. TO-DAY. Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company, who will survey goods at 11 A.M. on TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS. Certificates of damage must be obtained within ten days of the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognized. E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 17th September, 1902.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. NORDEUTSCHER HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

S.S. "PREUSSEN" of the NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 6 P.M. TO-NIGHT. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th instant will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, at 9.30 A.M. and THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at 9.30 A.M. All Claims must reach us before the 28th instant, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. **NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co.,** Agents. Hongkong, 17th September, 1902.

Intimations.

A SPECIAL SALE will be held at the Poor Orphans, from the 1st October, at 2 P.M., to the 8th, except Sunday. Of Ladies and Children's Underclothing and other useful and Embroidered Articles, suitable for Birthday Presents, &c. The Prices will be marked on every Article. The Superintendents hope to receive and merit a large share of public patronage.

ITALIAN CONVENT, 20, Caine Road, Hongkong, 16th September, 1902.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, HONGKONG.

OWING to the insufficiency of accommodation in the present building and the increasing demand for admission, it has been found necessary to extend the wings of the main building and to enlarge the Chinese department by an additional storey with two wings. The estimated cost will amount to over \$15,000. To cover these expenses we Appeal to the liberality of all friends of Education. The establishment has been in existence for the last 25 years and is open to all classes. Much of the clerical work of the city is carried on by its past pupils. As this is the first time we have applied for assistance we expect a generous response. The names of our most liberal Benefactors will be inscribed upon marble tablets, as a lasting testimony of their generosity. **THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS** Hongkong, 22nd November, 1901.

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No. 39, Queen's Road Central, (Opposite to Messrs. GAUFF & Co.) DEALERS IN Jewellery and Silks, Pearls and Jade-stone Ware, Ivory Ware and Curios, Chinese Goods of all kinds. And also General Exporters. An inspection is respectfully solicited. Good quality and good workmanship guaranteed. Prices lower than other shops in the same line of business.

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THERAPION No. 1. In a respiratory system, it is a remarkably effective remedy for all the ordinary ailments, especially for the diseases of the lungs, which are the foundation of many of the most serious diseases. It is a powerful irritant of the lower bowel, cough, bronchitis, asthma, and some of the more trying complaints of this kind. It will be found astonishingly efficacious, affording prompt relief where other well-tried remedies have been powerless.

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THERAPION No. 3. For the nervous system, it is a powerful remedy for all the ailments of the nervous system, such as nervous exhaustion, impaired vitality, sleeplessness, and all the distressing consequences of early error, excess, residence in hot, unhealthy climates, &c. It restores suppleness and power to the system and vigor to the debilitated.

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Sanat-Midy is a specific for Gonorrhea, Cystitis, and all the ailments of the urinary system.

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St. Peter's Church, West Point: 11 a.m., and 6.30 p.m.
St. John's Cathedral: Communion, 7 a.m.; Matins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 5.45 p.m.
Roman Catholic Cathedral: Mass at 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m.; Benediction, 5.30 p.m.
German Bethesda Chapel, West Point: Morning Service, 11 a.m.
St. Francis' Church, Wanchai: Mass (Chin.), 6 a.m.; (Port.), 7.30 a.m.; Benediction, 5 p.m.
St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road: Morning Service (English), 9 a.m.
St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point: Mass, 8 a.m.
Wesleyan Methodist Church: Services, 10.30 a.m., and 5.45 p.m.
Union Church: Services, 11 a.m., and 6 p.m.

St. Peter's Seamen's Church, West Point.

17th Sunday after Trinity. (Sept. 21st.)

Matins 11 a.m. Hymns 359, 364, 322 and 209. Holy Communion 12.30 p.m.

Evensong 6.30 p.m. Hymns 68, 72, 14, and 202.

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KONGSBERG, German steamer, 2,135; H. Kongsberg, 20th Sept.—Shanghai 17th Sept. General—Siemssen & Co.
HANOI, French steamer, 741; P. Merleux, 20th Sept.—Hohow 19th Sept. General—A. R. Marty.
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